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- a) determining the natural killer lymphocyte cytotoxicity of said patient to provide a baseline natural killer lymphocyte cytotoxicity;
- b) administering an immunostimulatory dosage of an  $\alpha$ -interferon composition to said patient, wherein said immunostimulatory dosage is about 250,000 U/m<sup>2</sup> to about 500,000 U/m<sup>2</sup> per day; and
- c) surgically resecting said malignant tumor. --